Mayor and Council. on the first Monday of May, 1904, and on the same day every second year thereafter, elect by ballot one person to be Mayor, and likewise, on the first Monday in May, 1904, elect by ballot five persons to be City Councilmen, and on the same day every year thereafter elect by ballot three persons as Councilmen to succeed those whose term of office is about to expire, and it shall be the duty of the three newly-elected Councilmen at their first regular meeting to designate by lot two of their number to remain in office for two years.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 25, 1904.

## CHAPTER 154.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 49 and 50 of Article 25 of the Public General Laws of Maryland, title "County Commissioners," sub-title. "Draining Lands," as amended by the Act of 1892, Chapter 649, so far as the same apply to tax ditches or drains situate wholly within Somerset County, and to enact in lieu thereof certain provisions applicable to tax ditches or drains situate wholly within said county.

Draining lands. Section I. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 49 and 50 of Article 25 of the Public General Laws of Maryland, title "County Commissioners," sub-title "Draining Lands," as amended by the Acts of 1892, Chapter 649, so far as the same apply to tax ditches and drains situate wholly within Somerset County, be and the same are hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the following sections be and the same are hereby enacted so as to read as follows:

Taxes levied for making ditches. SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the County Commissioners of Somerset County shall deliver to the Treasurer a statement of the taxes levied for making said ditches, wholly within said county, with the sums which each person is bound to pay, and such tax or assessment made and returned to and confirmed by said County Commissioners shall remain in full force for the term of twenty years from such confirmation, and shall be the proportion or basis upon which other and further taxes may be levied by the managers for all necessary purposes for cutting and making or for cleaning and repairing such ditches.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That after a lapse of twenty years a new assessment may be had by application of ten or